

March 28, 2006

«Salutation». «First» «Last»
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Dear «Salutation». «Last»:

By now you may have heard that the Santa Clara Unified School District (SCUSD) is considering declaring approximately 8 acres of the old Patrick Henry Junior High School site*, now considered part of Peterson Middle School, as surplus land. This land, in addition to 5 acres the school district does not intend to declare surplus but would like to retain for school athletic programs during school hours, for a total of 13 acres, could soon become available for possible use as sports fields by various organizations if the right combination of interest and means were found and made known to the district.

The Santa Clara Unified School District superintendent recently confirmed that the district is very interested in hearing from local sports associations who have an interest in leasing or purchasing this property to see if a workable plan could be developed with one or more associations. It is anticipated that a sports organization, or combination of several sports organizations, would be responsible for needed improvements and the ongoing maintenance of the fields.

These fields are not maintained or programmed by the City of Sunnyvale and the Parks and Recreation Department has no role in related affairs other than looking into options for other organizations to consider. If you are interested in further exploring the possible development of a relationship with the school district for use of these fields, please contact Roger Barnes, Business Administrator for Santa Clara Unified School District *by April 14, 2006*. His phone number is (408) 423-2085 and his address is P. O. Box 397, Santa Clara, California, 95052, or email rbarnes@scusd.net. Mr. Barnes has indicated a willingness to bring several groups in touch with each other so you may work together to see if there is a way to manage and maintain this property for your mutual benefit.

Best regards,

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*After this letter was sent, staff noted the reference to the "Old Patrick Henry Junior High School site" was in error and followed up with contacts to each group, noting the correct information as the Peterson Middle School Site.

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